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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Laura C. Schell	3767	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Laura C. Schell. (3) _____

(2) Lloyd McAulay. (4) _____

Date of Interview: 07 December 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 66.

Identification of prior art discussed: Callol et al. (US Patent No. 6749628).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Laura Schell
Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. McAulay called to discuss the limitation within the claim that the linear engagement member extends within the sidewalls of the tubes, while the Callol reference discloses that the linear engagement member (Fig. 59, 536) extends within the guidewire lumen of the tubes. Upon reviewing the reference and the claim, the examiner agreed that the Callol reference does not teach the limitation of the linear engagement member extending within the sidewalls of the tubes. The examiner will withdraw the rejection under Callol. The examiner also suggested adding claim language to the independent claim that makes it clear that the linear engagement member extends only within the sidewalls of the tubes and never within the lumen of the tubes. Mr. McAulay agreed to add claim language similar to what the examiner proposed.